

BEFORE THE FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the amendment of            ) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT  
ARM 12.2.601 pertaining to state land        )  
access tax credit                                )

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On October 29, 2015, the Fish and Wildlife Commission (commission) published MAR Notice No. 12-446 pertaining to the proposed amendment of the above-stated rule at page 1803 of the 2015 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 20.

2. The commission has amended the rule as proposed, but with the following changes from the original proposal, new matter underlined, deleted matter interlined:

12.2.601 PUBLIC LAND ACCESS TAX CREDIT (1) through (4) remain as proposed.

(5) The department must consider the following when awarding contracts:

(a) remains as proposed.

(b) verification that the public land will be available for a majority of the year to all general recreational use including hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, wildlife watching, and other uses compatible with the use of public lands;

(c) through (8) remain as proposed.

3. The commission has thoroughly considered the comments received. A summary of the comments received and the commission's responses are as follows:

COMMENT 1: The commission received three comments suggesting that trapping should be included in the list of general recreational uses on public lands.

RESPONSE 1: The commission has amended the rule to include trapping on the list of general recreational uses on public lands.

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Certified to the Secretary of State January 25, 2016